

ON A HIGH NOTE

Music department fashioning reeds to help Haiti

Professor develops project to create necessary pieces for wind instruments' sound

Sam Diederich
staff writer

Nora Lewis will be taking a trip this January to a tropical island in the Caribbean Sea. Such island getaways are not uncommon for North Americans suffering through frigid and icy winters. Pack a suitcase with a swimsuit, sunscreen and a beach towel, and the balmy bliss of some sandy paradise becomes no more than a plane ride away.

However, Lewis, assistant professor of music, is not migrating southward for the sake of temporarily escaping the Kansas winter, nor is she stuffing her suitcase with beach gear. Instead, she plans to visit the island of Haiti with the hope of helping a developing nation's citizens better fulfill their music education. And in place of a swimsuit and scuba goggles, Lewis' bags will be packed with donated instruments and handmade, personally crafted music paraphernalia.

"I got my undergraduate degree at Lawrence University in Appleton, Wis., and the cello professor there, Janet Anthony, has been going to Haiti since 1996 and working at music schools in there," Lewis said. "She invited me to come down and work with the double reed players there."

When Lewis arrives in January, she will begin work at the Ecole de Musique Dessaix-Baptiste in Jacmel. The school is one of several programs in Haiti receiving aid from Instrumental Change, a nonprofit charitable corporation dedicated to supporting music programs in developing nations.

"I'm very excited," Lewis said. "I'm looking forward to the opportunity to work with the students, to perform for the students and to see where they are."

Though her visit to Haiti might have been a generous enough contribution, Lewis discovered during her preparation for the trip that she could give more than just her time and expertise.



Nathaniel LaRue | Collegian
Nora Lewis, assistant professor of music, prepares a reed for her upcoming trip to Haiti. Lewis said she hopes that she and the students helping with the project could make upwards of 60 reeds before she leaves on her trip in January. A reed is a couple inches in length and creates the vibrations necessary for wind instruments.

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Schulz documents Iraq trip on Web

President looks to cater to veterans at K-State, plans to develop center

Joshua Madden
staff writer

In a live online chat Monday, K-State President Kirk Schulz talked about helicopter rides and a welcoming into Iraq.

Schulz is currently in Basra, Iraq, after accepting an invitation from Fort Riley and the U.S. Army. The trip was designed with the intention of building upon the relationship between K-State and Fort Riley. This is his first international trip as K-State president.

"I believe this trip is the first we have ever done into a war zone," Schulz said.

Schulz took the time to hold an online forum, where anyone with an eID could log on and ask him questions about the trip in a live chat.

Schulz is joined in Iraq by Jeff Morris, vice president for communications and marketing, Virginia Moxley, dean of human ecology, and Art DeGroat, director of military affairs. Schulz said there are also two escorts from Fort Riley accompanying them.

K-State's College of Human Ecology is currently researching issues related to stress placed on military families. As part of the trip, Dean Moxley is visiting soldiers stationed in Iraq to discuss their experiences.

The group toured the University of Basra and met with the chancellor of the university, and members discussed possibilities to work together on future projects.

One faculty member, who identified as a naval reservist who was deployed to Iraq as an executive officer with a battalion of engineers, asked, "Iraq has a pool of well trained engineers, what, if any potential, is there for KSU engineering to make ties with Iraqi engineering professionals?"

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Vet-med college reaccredited after council's visit to K-State

K-State's program is the 6th oldest in the nation

Austin Enns
senior staff writer

K-State has one of only 28 veterinary medicine colleges in the entire country, and as such, it is a point of pride for the college that is the only veterinary college in the state of Kansas. Every veterinary medicine college must go through an accreditation process every seven years to make sure the graduates are qualified.

The K-State College of Veterinary Medicine was founded in 1906 and is the sixth-oldest in the nation. Throughout its entire history, the K-State veterinary college has been accredited, and was recently reaccruited by the American Veterinary Medical Association.

"We are really proud the college of veterinary medicine went through the process so effectively," said April Mason, provost and senior vice president for K-State. "We got a glowing report back. Being the only veterinary medicine school in the state of Kansas is really important to us. We're glad the national accrediting body gave accreditation, and we

Megan Boyd,
freshman in veterinary medicine, examines tissue through a microscope in Zolt Szladovits' microanatomy class.



Heather Scott

know it is not just an honor, but a responsibility."

Ronnie Elmore, associate dean for the College of Veterinary Medicine, said the college starts preparing a self-report for the accreditation process about a year in advance that updates the status of physical facilities, faculty, students and

other areas.

Elmore said the recent guidelines for the report limit it to 50 pages to prevent schools from trying to outdo each other.

"I've been here a little over 20 years. For the first site visit

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K-State receives \$2M grant to fund research, education in food safety

Project to help control antibiotic resistance in livestock production

Kayla Duskie
junior staff writer

The U.S. Department of Agriculture recently gave K-State a \$2 million grant for research and education on food safety in both beef and dairy cattle.

H. Morgan Scott, professor of epidemiology and veterinary medicine, is one of the principal investigators involved in the project.

"The grant itself is fully integrated per the sponsor's requirement, meaning it has a mixture of research, education and extension and is also multi-state, multi-institutional and multi-disciplinary," Scott said.

"Education, outreach and research are mutually supportive in that no particular activity is a stand-alone effort," said Guy Loneragan, epidemiologist and professor of food safety and public health at Texas Tech University.

Loneragan said current assumptions about the effect

of antibiotic use and resistance in animal production are based on untested or very sparse data. The goal of this project is to scientifically evaluate and ultimately provide practical approaches to aid in the control of antibiotic resistance in livestock production.

Individuals from K-State, along with the University of Guelph, Angelo State University, Texas Tech University, Texas A&M University, Cornell University, West Texas A&M University, Colorado State University and the Public Health Agency of Canada will be involved in the project.

"This proposal is a natural fit for the work I do, but also a significant step forward in that collectively we will work to provide practical solutions to a complex societal challenge," Loneragan said.

Also involved in the implementation of this project is Texas Tech associate professor of agricultural education and communications, Todd Brashears. He plans to focus on education and outreach aspects of the project.

"He is a critical component of this work because while we will provide prac-

tical solutions, they only become practical solutions when people adopt them and to that extent, we have to affect people's behavior," Loneragan said.

Scott said research at K-State will involve both graduate and undergraduate researchers who will test both "near harvest" tactics, as well as all production phases.

The bovine gut of the host, the environment, including manure pack and soil, the water supply and feedstuffs will all be involved in the research of resistant bacteria.

"Our tactics will employ management practices of little or no cost to farmers and pertain to management of environment as well as strategic use of other antimicrobials that are not of use in human medicine," Scott said.

Loneragan said he is glad the money could go toward such research.

"I believe the public, through their tax dollars, has made a very wise investment in supporting Morgan's proposal," he said. "Benefits to the public will be very broad and far reaching and impact public health through approaches to animal and human medicine."



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POLICE REPORTS

Austin Enns
senior staff writer

Woman taken to Mercy

A local woman was transported by Emergency Medical Services after suffering injuries from a car wreck Monday morning, according to a report from the Riley County Police Department.

Jenna Moldrup, 18, of the 1600 block of Colorado Street, was driving north on 17th Street when a Ford F-250 pickup that was going south on 17th tried to make a turn onto Leavenworth Street. Police cited Robert Cloe, 65, of the 2900 block of Nelson's Landing, for an improper left turn for striking Moldrup's 1996 Honda Accord.

Moldrup was transported to Mercy Regional Health Center for a blow to the head and a right ankle injury that were suffered in the crash.

Sexual battery reported

A local woman reported she was sexually battered on Saturday, according to a report from the RCPD.

The 22-year-old woman reported that a 20-year-old man she knows placed a hand on her thigh and made unwanted sexual advances, according to the police report. The incident occurred between 7 p.m. and 8 p.m.

\$75,000 bond set

Police arrested a Chapman, Kan., man on suspicion of committing a string of burglaries last year, according to a report from the RCPD.

Orvie Landen, 51, was arrested at 3:30 a.m. Tuesday for reportedly burglarizing the Manhattan Veterans of Foreign Wars office between Jan. 11 and Jan. 12 of 2009, reportedly burglarizing the McDonald's in Westloop Shopping Center on Aug. 10, 2009, and reportedly burglarizing the Veterans of Foreign Wars office again between Aug. 23 and Aug. 24 of 2009, Capt. Kurt Moldrup of the RCPD said.

The value of the stolen cash and damaged property was estimated at \$35,000.

Landen's bond was set at \$75,000.

Saw reportedly stolen

A local man reported that a saw and saw blade were stolen from a home he was working on, according to a report from the RCPD.

Henry Baxter, of the 2100 block of Stillman Drive, reported that a saw and saw blade were stolen from a house in the 2500 block of Purcell's Mill that he was working on, according to the police report.

The items were valued at about \$1,500.

\$5,500 bond set

Police arrested a St. Petersburg, Fla., man and booked him on a charge of failure to appear in court, according to a report from the RCPD.

Lee Pearsol, 23, was arrested at 4:20 a.m. Tuesday for failure to appear in court and probation violation, according to the RCPD. The original charges were for computer crime, an incident that reportedly occurred April 5.

Pearsol's bond was set at \$5,500.

THE BLOTTER

ARREST REPORTS

MONDAY

Berry Vincent Annunziato, of the 1900 block of Crescent Drive, was booked for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$1,500.

Carl Von Garrett Jr., of Kansas City, Kan., was booked for driving with a canceled, suspended or revoked license. Bond was set at \$1,000.

Stephanie Anne Lemaster, of the 3000 block of Tuttle Creek Boulevard, was booked for domestic battery, endangering a child and disorderly conduct. Bond was set at \$1,500.

Christopher Joseph Webber, of the 3500 block of Dempsey Road, was booked. No charges or bond were listed.

TUESDAY

Berry Vincent Annunziato, of the 1900 block of Crescent Drive, was booked for failure to appear. No bond was listed.

Orvie Edward Landen Jr., of Chapman, Kan., was booked for burglary, criminal damage to property and theft. Bond was set at \$75,000.

CORRECTIONS AND CLARIFICATION

There were two errors in the Oct. 20 issue of the Collegian. In the police reports, it was incorrectly stated that Dan Bortinck was transported to Mercy Regional Health Center by Emergency Medical Services. Police do not have information on the correct method of transportation.

Clayton Smith's bond was mistakenly reported in the Oct. 20 police blotter. The correct bond amount was \$15,000.

There was an incorrect date in a Nov. 8 photo caption. Nathaniel LaRue shot the photo of Robert Shoop, Olivia Collins and Pat Bosco on Oct. 30.

In the Nov. 9 issue of the Collegian, a Page 3 photo of Adam Hutchinson, paired with an article on a study showing that modern students are less studious than their 1960s counterparts, could suggest that Hutchinson has poor study habits. The intent of the Collegian was not to offer Hutchinson as an example of a student with poor study habits, but rather to illustrate some of the activities that modern students participate in.

The Collegian regrets the need for these corrections and clarification and will post them online.

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Locals, K-Staters look to improve bicycling

Plans for Manhattan improvements include markings, education

Lisa Barry
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Plans continue to make the K-State campus, as well as the city of Manhattan, safer for cyclists as bicycles continue to appear on the road. Taking action to accommodate cyclists in Manhattan is not a new idea, but rather a continually developing process. “It’s becoming more and more popular for people to be riding their bikes to school and to work,” said Melanie Apel, employee at Big Poppi Bicycle Co. and K-State alumna. Apel recalled one experience she had while riding her bike on a neighborhood street in town. She had signaled with her arm that she was slowing down. “Instead of the car behind me slowing down and waiting for me to turn, he sped up to go around me and almost hit me,” Apel said.

It is the increase in cyclists that prompted Ben Champion, director of sustainability, to pursue a safer biking environment on campus.

“It’s going to take some time to really make a difference,” Champion said. “The Parking Services committee has now created a subcommittee for bicycling.”

Champion looked to the League of American Bicyclists, a nonprofit membership group, for guidelines on what bicycle-safe campuses look like. Champion said two of the five areas that the league focuses on in determining bicycle safety are enforcement and encouragement.

“We need some enforcement of rules,” Champion said. “We could take the approach of just focusing on enforcement, but that would create a really antagonistic environment.”

In addition to getting people to follow guidelines, Champion recognized the need to make bike-friendliness more friendly.

“We need to encourage people to have a good time with it,” Champion said.

Champion has worked to put campus bicycle planning on a



Kelly Porter, senior in marketing, waits in the bike lane on North Manhattan Avenue to cross Anderson Avenue on his way home from campus Tuesday afternoon.

timeline. A short-term timeline includes changes that can go into practice in the course of one year, but his work also includes a broader five-year timeline.

Campus roadways need necessary additions like dismount markings and pavement markings, like the sharrow, a marking that indicates bicycles share the lane, he said.

Champion’s one-year timeline includes both new pavement markings and incorporating bicycle safety into new student orientation.

“We can integrate some ‘rules of the road’ education into new student orientation,” Champion said.

He gave several reasons why residents want to make Manhattan a more bicycle-safe community.

“In the transportation arena, bicycles are a helpful way to get around,” Champion said. “They also reduce the use of fossil fuels, and they are more healthy for

the people that are riding them.”

For others, it is a more exciting form of transportation than simply driving a car.

“It’s a simple, fun and easy way to get around this town,” said Clint McAllister, employee at Big Poppi and K-State alumnus.

For McAllister, there are possible Manhattan improvements that would appeal to more than just the everyday cyclist.

Reaching out to cycling clubs, like the K-State Cycling Club and the Flint Hills Area Bike Club, is also an important part of the improvement process, he said.

There are roads and trails in Manhattan that people could utilize better if they knew about them, McAllister said, and making people aware that Manhattan is a fun place to ride would begin to solve problems.

“There are plenty of roads in the area that could be used for cycling races,” he said.

Michael Wesch, associate professor of cultural anthropology and bicycle enthusiast, researched some of the history of Manhattan bicycle planning.

Wesch noted a 2004 study by Ben Ehreth, which provided a color-coded map showing bicycle safety throughout Manhattan. According to Wesch’s blog, bikemanhattan.weebly.com/blog.html, Wesch is using this map to create his own “bike-ability” map of Manhattan.

“Eventually, this will allow us to create that fully interactive map of bike-ability we have been dreaming about,” Wesch said on his blog.

Overall, it will be a combination of city and campus committees working together with residents to make Manhattan a more bicycle-friendly town. Champion said as improvements are made, bikers, motorists and pedestrians alike will have to cooperate to sustain the improvements.

Bramlage lot open for Jardine vehicles

Residents can park at athletics complex on days with no events

Jacob Heffern
junior staff writer

To help residents at Jardine Apartments, the athletics department now allows students to park in the east Bramlage lot on nonevent days.

“Jardine’s capacity, both resident and vehicular, has been such that parking is at capacity levels within the housing complex,” said Charlie Thomas, who is involved in facility operations for the K-State athletics department.

The parking procedure allows Jardine residents to park in the Bramlage parking lot north of the West End neighborhood. Any of the residents are allowed to use the parking spaces as long as they move their vehicle to another lot at least 24 hours before any event at Bramlage. Any vehicle that fails to move in time will be towed, Thomas said.

Despite this, some residents still seem to appreciate the extra parking.

Eric Blakeslee, junior in agronomy, said he parks in the Bramlage lot, not only to have a spot, but because it allows him easier access to his apartment.

There are numerous event days coming up with basketball season starting for both the men’s and women’s teams, but Blakeslee stays on top of the schedule of events for Bramlage.

“I always remember to do it,” Blakeslee said. “I just move it across to the other parking lot.”

The number of residents using this parking lot is slowly increasing as residents are now learning that Bramlage is available.

When asked how he learned of the new parking, Silas Tumbleson, senior in mechanical engineering, said he got an e-mail from Jardine about a week and a half ago.

Tumbleson has not yet started using the parking, but said he is considering it due to the convenience.

The lot is owned by the athletics department, not Parking Services. Thomas said the requirement for students to move their cars on event days is based on demand — as demand for tickets goes up, demand for parking does as well.

He said the Jardine staff reminds residents to move their cars, but the department still has to tow cars occasionally.

“We don’t have a problem with folks at Jardine using our parking, because they do have a parking problem,” Thomas said.

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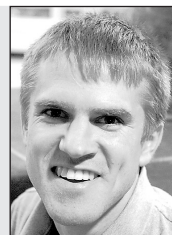
If you could send anything to help the people of Haiti, what would it be?

"Sports equipment for kids."



Thomas Einck
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"Something that is a necessity. Or, going down there and giving your time."



Matt Morton
ALUMNUS, EDUCATION

"Mobile homes."



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"Books."



Stephanie Scott
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"Access to the new Harry Potter movie."



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"Relief packages with everyday items."



Jordan Hildebrand
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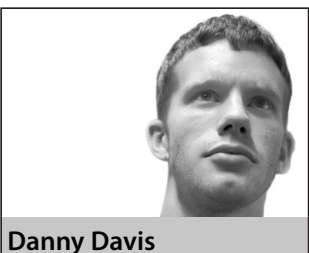


Kaley Debrick
JUNIOR, ART

If you want to learn more about ongoing Haiti disaster relief, check out today's front page.

PACKING HEAT

Concealed carry needed to increase campus safety



Danny Davis

Imagine yourself in the following scenario: you're in class one day when all of a sudden, a raging lunatic barrels through the door, emptying bullets from his semi-automatic assault rifle. By the time you take cover behind desks and chairs, a quarter of your classmates already lie dead on the floor.

Once you're under cover, what do you do — or rather, what don't you do? For one, you don't pull out your handgun, which you have registered, have trained with and hold a license to carry. No, you're a law-abiding citizen and don't care to risk jail time for carrying a concealed weapon on campus.

The clock ticks as you wait for the police to arrive. You consider charging the man when all of a sudden an accomplice walks through the back door. With all your exits blocked, you frantically dial the police while silently hoping someone else has already notified them.

In the meantime, more bodies hit the floor as the gunmen down row after row, killing your classmates in cold blood. If only you had your gun, you might stand half a chance. Perhaps you could have saved a few of your classmates and made the fight a little more even.

After the massacre, community members hold candlelight vigils. Survivors and school officials do interviews on morning talk shows about campus safety and the effects of bullying or discrimination. The anniversary is marked by a red ribbon intertwined with the school logo.

Now, the scenario might not be completely preventable, but it can be improved. K-State needs to permit concealed carry for students, faculty and staff.

Fifteen states leave it up to the university's discretion on whether or not to allow it, according to Students for Concealed Carry at concealedcampus.org. The only state to allow it specifically on public universities is Utah, which prohibits colleges from making restrictions against concealed carry.



illustration by Kelsey Welliver

Texas has a law against it on universities, but allows universities to "opt out" and permit concealed carry if they so choose.

Concealed carry can only benefit the "good guys." Those who only want to harm students will carry weapons regardless of whether a law or regulation prohibits it.

Allowing concealed carry would also act as a deterrent for would-be evildoers. If someone knows that any number of sur-

rounding individuals could be packing heat, he or she would likely think twice about opening fire.

Mike Nelson, director of program development and instruction at Keys to Safer Schools, said there have been 51 school shootings with casualties since 2005, both on campus and at athletic functions. In 2007, the deadliest school shooting in U.S. history happened at Virginia Tech, with 33 victims.

Looking back at all the recent

school shootings, you're left to wonder how many casualties might have been prevented if students had concealed carry and could have responded in an appropriate manner. How many more school shootings will it have to take before we wake up and realize concealed carry is a good thing?

Danny Davis is a sophomore in journalism and mass communications and political science. Send comments to opinion@pub.ksu.edu.

Students should find what motivates them, apply to lives



Tim Schrag

Anyone else just hanging on until Thanksgiving break? I don't know how much longer I can hold out until I have absolutely no motivation. This is the first year since coming to college when I've hardly had any motivation to accomplish anything, but I still have responsibilities.

As a man raised on Kansas values, I hate to do anything sloppily or half-baked. I think that is why I have managed to skirt by without slacking off too much this semester.

The question becomes how do we motivate ourselves and others?

Well, I think that varies from person to person. Google the word "motivation" and about 233 million results pop up in 0.08 seconds.

Tyler Nickoley, senior in milling science and management, said he is motivated by deadlines, along with the desire to be successful and productive.

"It's better than the alternative," he said.

Interesting sentiment,

Tyler, but students are typically in college for a reason — most for some kind of personal betterment, though whether that is educational, social or professional growth is typically up to them.

The idea of returning to Kingman, Kan., without a degree scares me every day. In a way, fear motivates me to accomplish my daily tasks so I can obtain a degree. Granted, it probably would not be the end of the world, but I do not want to chance it.

Accomplishment also motivates me. I love completing tasks and being acknowledged for doing so. It makes me happy to know what I've done and what I have left to do.

Another thing I've noticed through college is everyone needs a refresher moment sometimes.

When I'm not getting anything productive accomplished, I take a break, usually for about an hour, to take my mind off the task at hand and recuperate. I might watch TV or grab a snack. After that, I feel ready to go.

Matthew Weller wrote about the general principles of motivation in education in a 2005 issue of the Los Angeles Business Journal:

"1. The environment can be used to focus the student's attention on what needs to be learned.

2. Incentives motivate learning.

3. Internal motivation is longer lasting and more self-directive than is external motivation, which must be repeatedly reinforced by praise or concrete rewards.

4. Learning is most effective when an individual is ready to learn, that is, when one wants to know something.

5. Motivation is enhanced by the way in which the instructional material is organized."

Seems pretty straightforward, but I think it makes good points for both sides of the academic world.

Teachers should create proper learning environments and gauge when their students are not motivated to learn.

Students should discover what motivates them and find a way to apply it to their daily lives.

The ideal learning environment in my mind is a free exchange of ideas between instructors and students, where students receive a skill set to accomplish their goals.

I encourage everyone in the purple nation to discover what motivates them and apply it to everyday practice. It might help make Thanksgiving break not seem so far away.

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Former K-State player no longer has to balance school, football

Ashley Dunkak
sports editor

Jeron Mastrud was a senior tight end at K-State in 2009. After being cut by the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in the final paring of the roster, the Oregon native flew out to try out for the New England Patriots, who wanted to sign him to their practice squad but had to let him go because of injuries elsewhere on the roster. After all that, he's found a home in Miami, where the Dolphins promoted him to the 53-man roster after two weeks on the practice squad.

How's NFL life been treating you so far?

It's long. It's definitely a grind, but I'm doing it, though, glad I got a job. NFL life, I guess it'd be kind of boring right now to most people. I don't really do much but go to practice and then come home and sit on the couch for a little bit and study my plays, maybe play a little video games or watch a little TV or a movie or something, and then go to bed around 10, and then get up and do it all over again.

What's your schedule like?

It's a full-time job ... We've got weights three times a week at 7 a.m., we've got team meetings, starts at 8 o'clock, and then usually don't get home until about 5:30. Meet from about 8 to 10:15, and then you've got about 30 minutes to get ready for practice. You're on the field at 10:45, you don't get off the field until about 1:10, and then you've got a little of time for lunch — they

serve us lunch there — and then we're in meetings again at 3 o'clock, and any extra film stuff you want to do beyond that, you're there until whenever you feel. So it can be 5, it can be 6; quarterbacks are usually there the longest.

How did your first game go?

Shoot, my first game experience was Sunday Night Football versus the New York Jets. Everyone was talking about the Jets this preseason. It was a big game for us, too, because it's a division game, rival game ... my mom flew out for it, and it was a lot of fun. I wish I'd played a little better here or there, but that's neither here nor there. It was a once-in-a-lifetime experience, and I'm hoping to have a lot more of those.

How did you feel in that first game?

It's crazy because I was out there and I was like, "This is the Jets! I was watching these games on TV and stuff and now I'm in a game, playing against them." But you better just get over that stuff like that. If you get stuck on that, then you're going to get blasted.

What are the differences between college and pro athletes?

There's definitely bigger guys, because now all you do is play football. You have a lot more time to work on your body, get big, really train and stuff like that. In college, you've got to worry about school. School's your



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Jeron Mastrud, former K-State tight end, runs the ball against KU in November 2009. Mastrud is now with the Miami Dolphins, and he said his days are filled with training and practice.

first commitment, because if you're not committed to school, then you're not going to be eligible and you can't play, so you've got to worry about school in college and then all the other stuff that

comes along with football on top of that. But now it's just straight football, so you've got a lot of time to get right and do what needs to be done to be the best player you can be.

How do you like only having football to deal with versus football and school?

When I come home from practice, all I've got to worry about is practice the next day. It's not like I've got to worry about, "Oh man, I've got this test tomorrow, too; I've got to do this homework; I've got to do this online quiz tonight." No, you don't have any of that. It's so nice.

How long has it been since you've had an extended break from school?

June 3 was my last day of high school, and then from then I went to summer school June 24, so I had like two and a half weeks to spend with my family, with my friends, coming from Oregon, so I don't get to see these people for a while ... and then fall term, and then spring term, and then summer school ... so I'm in school from '05 of August until December of '09 when I graduated. We had the winter break, because we didn't have a bowl game after my freshman year, and then we had a couple weeks in May, and that was really it to be at home or have some free time to not have school, and to not have to worry any more now, is so sweet.

What do they talk to you about in rookie meetings?

Stuff about money, like the psychology of money, just being in the position we're in, all of a sudden going from nothing to having something

... domestic violence or domestic disputes ... Each meeting has a theme or a topic, so we go over that, then you have a speaker come in and talk to us. There's only about 15 of us in there, so it's personable; we all get to kind of talk and everything stays in the room and it's just a way to help people learn that aren't aware of certain things around them at this time in their life.

Who are you learning from now as far as veteran teammates?

It's me and two of the rookies, and then Anthony Fasano is our starting tight end. He's in his fifth year; he's great to learn from, being a vet and all and having been around the league, been to different stadiums, played against different people, played for all kinds of different coaches. The more you play the game, the more you get to learn, and you develop different little techniques or strategies. You learn different things about different defenses, players, schemes and all kinds of stuff that just comes with time. To have a vet in there like that is definitely useful. He's one that I really learn stuff from.

How's your K-State pride holding up?

It's crazy — I didn't know how into these games I would be. What they say is true: you're always a K-Stater, for life. I'm a crazy fan over here; I'm sitting here, really into every game. This has no effect on my life right now, but I'm way into every game. It's so funny.

Camp director tied to K-State; continues to recruit student workers here

Joshua Madden
staff writer

For Krysten Day, senior in family studies and human services, working at Camp War Eagle during the past two summers is the best decision she has ever made, she said.

"Not only was I able to love on kids by showing them the love of God, but I was challenged and grew as a person while making friends that will

last me a lifetime," said Day, who now serves as a campus representative for the organization.

Camp War Eagle is a non-denominational Christian sports and adventure camp located in Rogers, Ark., off of Beaver Lake. The camp is designed to provide underserved children the opportunity of a camp experience, for which the camp needs a staff of more than 350 people. The staff is recruited from select colleges around the country, one of

which is K-State.

"We're looking for people who love God, love kids and want to make a difference in a child's life," Day said.

Part of the reason such a large staff is needed is because the camp offers a range of activities, including sports, nature discovery, water, adventure and creative skills.

The organization has had success recruiting at K-State in the past, partially because of the

quality of people at the university, said Darrick Seaton, associate director of the camp.

"There were three students who opened the door for me here," he said. "That doesn't happen everywhere."

The representatives of Camp War Eagle at the K-State Student Union said the organization has ties to K-State. The director of Camp War Eagle, Pete Day, is a K-State graduate.

In addition, they said out of

the more than 20 colleges from which they recruit staff members, K-State brings in the third-largest group of staffers, following the University of Arkansas and Oklahoma State University.

Camp War Eagle offers horseback riding as an activity, and the group quickly pointed out that there are more people from K-State interested in working with horses as wranglers than from any other school in the country.

Seaton speculated that this might be because of the strong agricultural community at K-State.

Students interested in participating with the camp can visit the K-State Student Union, where representatives will be on Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. They plan to interview potential counselors for this summer. Students can also e-mail questions about employment to staffrecruiting@campwareagle.org.

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Roller coaster continues for Big 12



If there was any doubt in my mind, last weekend made it official: outcomes in the Big 12 Conference are as predictable as the winning lottery numbers or the weather in Kansas.

Flash back to the end of last season. Texas — a perennial powerhouse in the Big 12 South — went undefeated in the regular season, won the conference title and came up short against Alabama in the Bowl Championship Series National Championship. Baylor — a team that hadn't amounted to much since the conference was inception — won a single conference game and finished with a 4-8 record.

In the North division, K-State came within one win of playing in the conference championship. Missouri went from last place to second place in the standings in a span of three weeks. Kansas started the season 5-0, lost out and failed to attain bowl eligibility.

Even the conference title game left people scratching their heads. Texas was heavily favored against North champ Nebraska, but at one point, it looked as though the Huskers had shocked the nation. Not until time was put back on the clock after a disputed call did the Longhorns win on a last-second field goal.

Fast-forward to 2010, and things have gotten even weirder. One year removed from its national runner-up season, Texas has guaranteed itself the worst record in head coach Mack Brown's career. Even worse, the Longhorns might fail to reach a bowl game altogether. The same Baylor team that won four games a year ago is eligible for the postseason for the first time since 1994 and, until last week, sat atop the South division standings. Oklahoma State is currently in the driver's seat, with a chance to win its first division title in school history.

Up North, the Huskers all but have the division crown locked up, but it hasn't come easy. They were beaten at home by Texas — one of just two Big 12 wins for the Longhorns — and escaped with a 31-30 win at Iowa State last weekend. Missouri led the division after knocking off then-No. 1 Oklahoma on Oct. 23, but the Tigers have since dropped their last two games.

See a pattern here? Seven conference teams are already bowl eligible this season, but that's not necessarily a good thing. The balance of Big 12 power has shifted in a big way, and it hasn't seemed to find a new location. Every single week this season, there has been a pretty good chance of an upset in conference play, and more often than not, those upsets have occurred. Iowa State beat Texas in Austin for the first time ever. Texas A&M was 3-3 halfway through October, but is now ranked in the top 25.

Things haven't been any easier to figure out at the bottom of the ranks, either. Last weekend, Colorado led KU 45-17 in the fourth quarter. The Jayhawks scored 35 points in just more than 11 minutes to pull off a comeback win.

Long story short: Nobody is safe in this conference, regardless of the opponent. With some big matchups coming up down the stretch, expect the roller coaster season to continue. Anyone have any bets as to who will be playing for the Big 12 crown this year? Needless to say, I sure don't.

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Freshman outside hitter **Dakota Kaufman** spikes the ball against Texas Tech on Nov. 3 in Ahearn Field House. Tonight, the team will take on Nebraska in Lincoln, Neb., at 7 p.m. Head coach Suzie Fritz said fans at Nebraska's home court, Memorial Coliseum, make it a "tremendous volleyball environment."

Coach: Husker venue full of atmosphere, tradition

Sam Nearhood
staff writer

With a full week to rest, the K-State volleyball team looks to pick back up where it left off: with a win.

After its last bye weekend of the year, K-State returns to the court for a daunting challenge, and head coach Suzie Fritz said her team is rested and ready to go.

"I think we've come back rejuvenated from it," she said. "I know we've gotten two really good days of practice. I think our kids are more optimistic."

With last Wednesday's downing of Texas Tech, in which the team bounced back after a month of unflattering losses, the Wildcats (10-15, 4-10 Big 12 Conference) head north to take on No. 5 University of Nebraska (22-2, 14-1). This match, though, will not be as easy as last week's.

At their home court in Memorial Coliseum, the Cornhuskers are undefeated in all 10 matches, including those against some of the biggest and best teams, like top-10 Illinois. Part of that might be due to the atmosphere that rocks the house in a way Fritz said even opponents can take pleasure in.

"It's actually, I think, a tremendous volleyball environment, and one that we enjoy playing in," Fritz said. "They've been good for a long time, so that makes it a difficult place to play, not because it's necessarily a really hostile environment. There's a lot of people, but they're good, supportive volleyball fans; they like

good volleyball."

The Cornhuskers lost to Texas at the end of October in the terminal contest of their 18-match winning streak and their first loss in the conference, which dropped them from the No. 2 position to the current ranking as fifth in the nation. Even so, Nebraska remains among the top programs this season.

Overall in the series between Nebraska and K-State, the former has won 79 of 82 meetings. However, two of K-State's wins were with the present head coach.

In the last matchup this season, when Nebraska trounced K-State in Manhattan, the Wildcats actually fared pretty well, despite the numbers on the scoreboard. In multiple games, K-State took the Cornhuskers to the very end and often held a lead in the beginning, but the team could not pull off the upset. This time around, Fritz said she is optimistic that her team will do even better.

"I have hopes of playing better against them than we did the first time," Fritz said. "I think we played OK the first time, but I think I have high expectations for trying to play better the second time. Hopefully we're better. Chances are, they're better."

First serve is set for 7 p.m. in Lincoln, Neb. Fans who cannot attend the match can watch the televised broadcast through CBS College Sports, Metro Sports and NET or listen on the radio through KMAN-AM 1350.



Sophomore middle blocker **Alex Muff** spikes the ball against a duo of Texas Tech blockers on Nov. 3 in Ahearn Field House. The Wildcats take on the Cornhuskers tonight at 7 p.m. Nebraska has won 79 of the 82 meetings in the series between the Huskers and the Wildcats. K-State lost its Oct. 16 home match to Nebraska.

Men's golf team succeeds with younger players stepping up

Senior **Ross Guebelle** tees off during the Jim Colbert Intercollegiate at Manhattan's Colbert Hills Golf Course on Sept. 28. In the fall season, the Wildcats had 11 individual top-20 finishes.



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Collegian

Tyler Scott
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While the men's golf team did not have one particular golfer distinguish himself as the best on the team this fall, it had solid contributions across the board, particularly from the underclassmen, who proved essential on a team with only two seniors.

K-State participated in six events this fall and relied largely on youth for good performances. Individually, the Wildcats had 11 top-20 finishes, including five in the top 10.

Head coach Tim Norris said the freshmen played a big part this season.

"I thought they were talented players, and it helped to have their contributions every week," Norris said. "Some of them didn't have the best summer, but if we can bring in players at this level and have them improve as freshmen, they will be far along when they are seniors."

Two freshmen who stood

out were Thomas Birdsey and Jack Watson. Birdsey's best finish was third, while Watson's was second. Both highlights came at the Jim Colbert Intercollegiate at Colbert Hills Golf Course. The entire team used the home course advantage to the fullest extent, taking second place — its best finish of the season — at the Manhattan tournament.

Birdsey said he enjoyed a number of things about the fall season and looks forward to the spring.

"I really enjoyed traveling with all the players and going to different areas. We are a lot like a big family," Birdsey said. "Golf is a team sport, and it was important for me and Jack to play well along with the other players. For the spring, I hope to make some smarter decisions on the course."

Norris said there were definitely some differences this fall than in previous seasons, most notably the lack of one standout player.

"We didn't have a clear-cut

No. 1 or 2 player," Norris said. "The last few years, that type of player has been there. We were juggling players around, and hopefully we can find a couple forces to help us out more often."

He also said the future looks bright with the members on the team and the focus is to see what it can do better down the road.

Senior Jason Schulte said leadership on the team was a key part, and golf is both a team and individual sport.

"I was able to help out the younger guys and get them acquainted with the game itself," Schulte said. "There's an interesting difference in the sport. With a team aspect, you have players supporting you, and individually, you can step out and elevate your own game."

K-State begins the spring season Feb. 14 at the Oak Hills Country Club in San Antonio where it plans to participate in the University of Texas-San Antonio Oak Hills Invitational.

Wining and dining



Top Left: Students from K-State's department of interior architecture gather at the annual wine and cheese party to celebrate the fifth-year students. The event acts like a graduation celebration since traditional fifth-years use their spring semesters to study abroad or take internships, but the event is also a chance for people in the department, which is often segregated by class year, to gather as a group.
Top Right: Event-goers drank a variety of wines during the course of the party.
Middle Right: Kyle Perkuhn, senior in mechanical engineering and Nicole Wilbur, junior in education, converse during the wine and cheese party.
Bottom Right: Wine and beer were on the menu for the event, and both flowed freely.
Bottom Left: The night featured Merlot, and Chardonnay and a white zinfandel along with additional drink choices of champagne, sangria, and Boulevard Wheat.

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Fort Riley reducing use of fossil-based fuel

Base utilizes new hybrid vehicles as a way to cut back on greenhouse gasses

Katie Reilley
junior staff writer

With the national debt growing and environmental issues at the forefront of national debate, Fort Riley is saving the government money and reducing its carbon footprint by using hybrid electric vehicles.

Since October 2009, Fort Riley's First Sergeant's Barracks Program has used six hybrid utility vehicles that have saved the General Services Administration — which pays for the fuel for military bases — about

\$5,760 per year.

Eric Zenk, public affairs specialist at Fort Riley, said that other larger bases across the country are also using hybrid vehicles, which leads to further savings.

These six hybrid vehicles, which were designed by Columbia ParCar Corporation, are used for barracks assignments, terminations and maintenance calls.

Fort Riley currently has 16 total hybrid vehicles, besides the six within the First Sergeant's Barracks Program.

"Hybrid vehicles are very similar to normal vehicles, the difference being hybrids can run on battery power," said Bruce Klaverweiden, garrison fleet manager with the Director-

ate of Logistics. "The battery is charged as the gasoline engine runs and by regenerative braking. Hybrids can run up to 45 mph on battery power, not using any gas and not emitting any pollution."

The use of hybrid vehicles began at Fort Riley when the government asked bases to reduce the use of fossil-based fuel and greenhouse gases, Klaverweiden said.

Hybrid cars get much better gas mileage than fuel-based cars, with hybrid cars getting up to 41 mpg.

"When the vehicle is at a stop-light, the engine is automatically cut off to save gas," Klaverweiden said. "When the accelerator pedal is pressed to go, the engine automatically starts or can take

off on battery power. When an engine is idling, your mpg is reduced."

Hybrid cars run mostly through a combination of battery power and fuel, according to *hybridcars.com*. Batteries are charged by connecting the vehicle to common household electricity, and can be driven as much as 40 miles without using any gasoline.

Klaverweiden said Fort Riley plans to order more hybrid vehicles as replacement vehicles for next year.


Fort Riley has also used 300 flex-fuel vehicles that can use regular fuel and E85, a mixture of 85 percent ethanol and 15 percent gasoline, and 13 low-speed electric vehicles, in addition to the 16 hybrid vehicles.

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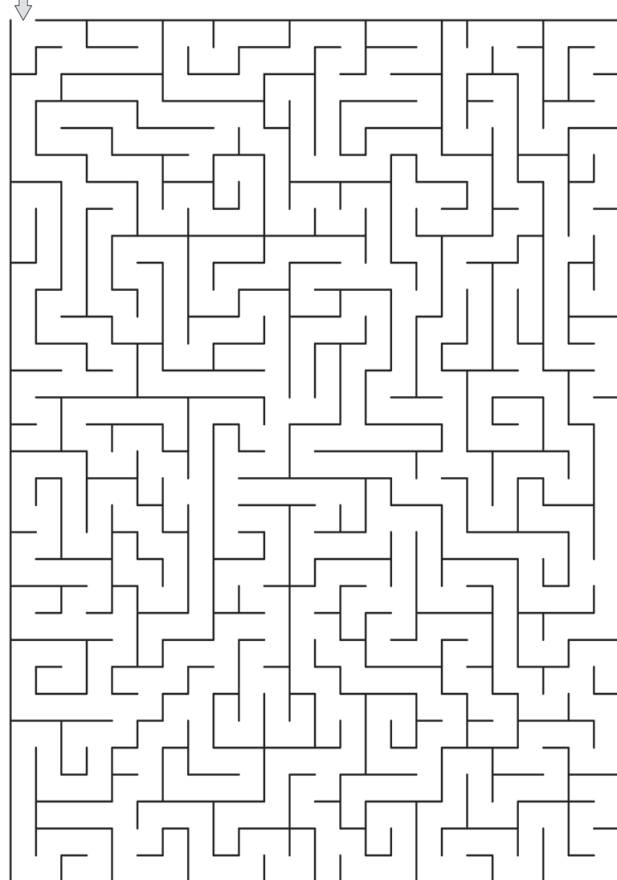
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BURGER BESTS

Restaurant combines elements of taste, tradition, nostalgia

Vista Drive In
★★★★☆
Restaurant review by Tim Schrag

What can I say about Vista Drive In? Well, it's historic — it's been around since 1964, in fact. Some would go so far as to call it a K-State tradition. The service is speedy, and the atmosphere reminds me of one of the restaurants in "Pulp Fiction." There's something very welcoming and nostalgic about Vista Drive In that does not exist anywhere else in Manhattan, probably for fear that Samuel L. Jackson and John Travolta might storm in.

Family owned and operated, the drive-in, located on 1911 Tuttle Creek Blvd., is the only remainder of a once much larger franchise.

The Vista Burger and its siblings, the two-beef patty Texasburger and three-beef patty Triburger, follow the traditional style of old-fashioned hamburgers right down to last pickle. For those of you unfamiliar with the old-fashioned style of burger, it is basically the American standard of this staple, served with ketchup, mustard, pickles and onions. It was made famous by Dave Thomas, but that's a whole other story entirely. I would not overlook the Vista and its siblings, though, because they are rather large; the Triburger weighs in at three-quarters of a pound. Served with warm fries, Vista doesn't mess around.

Vista Burgers might also be the hamburgers of choice for K-State students because of

the buy-one-get-one-free offer found on student basketball tickets.

As for me, I prefer the Royal Burger, a 6-ounce hamburger served with lettuce, cheese, mayo and tomato. I always add bacon for a few cents extra. The bacon is what makes that burger, almost like a crown for a king — pun totally intended. The ingredients mesh well; nothing overpowers the other, which is what I really look for in food. Overall, I think the Royal Burger is a classy sandwich.

Vista also has a variety of options outside of the old-fashioned burger, ranging from chicken strips to Philly Cheese Steak Sandwiches and various salads.

Interestingly enough, Vista offers a wide variety of desserts, like homemade pies and ice cream creations. I have personally tried one of their Cyclone Shakes, which is basically a milkshake with your choice of candy added in. It complemented the Royal Burger well. The soft-serve ice cream doesn't melt tremendously fast, which is perfect for these shakes. I like to dip French fries in it, but that's probably a personal thing. I would encourage daring patrons to give it a try if they haven't already.

Vista Drive In is definitely an experience worth checking out before graduating. I guess that would make it a K-State tradition.

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Vista Drive In, located at 1911 Tuttle Creek Blvd., is an old-time burger place. The family-owned restaurant is the only remainder of a larger franchise.

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Sweet or sour: A look at benefits, risks of consuming artificial sweeteners

Amy Himmelberg
staff writer

The claim:

Those pretty pink, blue and yellow packets clad with sparkling berries and cursive type usually tucked neatly beside the table sugar in a restaurant booth are so tempting, with their claims of guilt-free indulgence and enhanced flavor. It's no surprise that The Mayo Clinic, a not-for-profit medical practice, has estimated artificial sweeteners are currently used in more than 6,000 diet and low-calorie food products, from sports drinks to chewing gum.

As a growing trend for self-proclaimed sweet tooths, artificial sweeteners are defined as sugar substitutes that are stripped of sucrose and generally categorized as either "natural sweeteners," "novel sweeteners" or "sugar alcohols." The debate runs rampant, as consumers and researchers alike challenge these substitutes in regards to health and satisfaction.

The good:

Rest assured about one thing: It is completely natural to crave sweet foods. In fact, humans have evolved from the hunter-gatherers when sweetener signaled something was safe to eat, according to nutritionmad.org. In contrast to the past, an abundance of calories is no longer essential, but the craving for sweet things remains. Their versatility is among the many appeals of these food additives to diabetics and the health conscious.

Used for baking, mixing and sprinkling, only a fraction of what a person uses for recipes containing ordinary sugar is needed because the majority of artificial sweeteners are 200 times or more sweeter than table sugar. Sweetness is measured by comparison of solutions of sucrose, which is the standard to which all other

sweeteners are compared. With virtually no calories, artificial sweeteners are easy on the waistline and blood pressure levels, too. In comparison, each gram of regular table sugar has four calories. Basically, consuming artificial sweeteners means consuming less pure sugar. This means, in the long term, individuals are at less risk for obesity, osteoporosis and heart disease due to complications of excess weight.

"Yes ... they are safe," said Karen Blakeslee, K-State extension associate of animal sciences and industry. "They are a good sweetener for those who are diabetic or obese because they are low in carbohydrates."

Nearly 4 in 10 Americans believe artificial sweeteners can play a role in weight loss or weight management, and one-third of Americans also believe low-calorie or artificial sweeteners can reduce the calorie content of foods. Because their basic chemical makeup is different, artificial sweeteners generally don't raise blood sugar levels, and though they often taste just as sweet, an associatedcontent.com report on health and wellness insists they won't contribute to tooth decay in the long run because they don't cause oral bacteria and often increase the flow of saliva, which helps clean teeth.

The bad:

Though Equal, Splenda and Sweet'N Low are all approved by the Food and Drug Administration, it's more than just the occasional bitter aftertaste that has critics up in arms. While research is still widely inconclusive, studies dating back to the 1970s were the first to link saccharin, found in Sweet'N Low, to cancer and diabetes in laboratory rats, according to a report by The Mayo Clinic.

"Today, all food additives are tested very thoroughly and studies are scrutinized by FDA scientists before approval is granted," said Fadi



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Aramouni, professor of food science. "Tests are done on at least two species for acute toxicity, carcinogenicity, mutagenicity and teratogenicity. Aspartame might cause problems for people with phenylketonuria, and therefore foods sweetened with aspartame carry a warning."

Other studies cited by The Mayo Clinic claim aspartame, found in Equal and NutraSweet, inhibits the release of

neurotransmitters that cause pain within the body, causing possible side effects including headaches and, in more serious cases, brain tumors. Another warning sign making consumers hesitate is the fact that certain packaging does not recommend infants and pregnant women to use their products. Critics question why the general population should consume something that is considered dangerous for any

demographic. This concern was also accompanied by those like what is being reported by the health product provider Global Healing Center: though the taste of sugar is being mimicked, sweeteners offer no real source of energy for anyone's body. Because the sweeteners' preparation involves chemically changing the structure of the sugar molecule, the FDA found small levels of toxicity present, which might explain why arti-

ficial sweeteners can often cause intestinal discomfort. It's still uncertain how exactly these products affect appetite, but all science and scares aside, treating yourself to a snack laden with artificial sugar can trick you into eating more than you planned because people tend to think they are eating wisely.

The verdict:

It's important to keep in mind there's no health advantage to consuming added sugar of any type. Consuming too much can lead to health problems, such as poor nutrition and increased triglycerides. It's always best to look beyond the hype and understand you are a consumer and this is just another product. The sudden push in the global market toward various artificial sweeteners is a result of the simple fact that producing an artificial sweetener is much more economic than growing natural sugar, explained by wisegeek.com.

This means the profit margins for manufacturers of artificial sweeteners rises, so they are pushing their products on food and drink producers. Though, according to the National Cancer Institute and other health agencies, there's no sound scientific evidence that any of the artificial sweeteners approved for use in the United States cause cancer or other serious health problems, it's wise to pay close attention to how your body feels and always use artificial sweeteners in moderation.

"The benefit of using artificial sweeteners depends on people using them," Aramouni said. "Sugar plays a role in satiety and therefore people who use foods with artificial sweeteners need to make sure they're not fooling themselves and their bodies. They should look at their whole diet and caloric intake especially in these days when we have an overweight/obesity and diabetes epidemic."

Crowd does not give actress enough credit at Manhattan event



When I was in Los Angeles covering the “Jackass 3D” premiere, I met Jeff Tremaine, the director of the film. While he’s primarily known for his work on the “Jackass” series, he has also served as the executive producer on both of Rob Dyrdek’s reality TV shows on MTV. He said Dyrdek is one of the most fun people he has ever met.

That’s pretty high praise, especially coming from a guy who hangs out with Johnny Knoxville on a regular basis. Needless to say, when I heard Dyrdek was coming on Monday to Manhattan, I knew I had to go by and see for myself what Dyrdek was like.

I think I was more excited, however, when I found out that Minka Kelly, Esquire’s 2010 “Sexiest Woman Alive,” was also coming to Manhattan. I’ll be honest here: even though she’s only in the movie for a few minutes, I walked out of “(500) Days of Summer” with more of a crush on her than on Zooey Deschanel.



Actress **Minka Kelly** rides a motorized cooler in a fan-filled alley just south of Moro Street on Monday afternoon. Esquire magazine named Kelly the “Sexiest Woman Alive” for 2010.

Matt Binter Collegian

Needless to say, the fact that she was coming to Manhattan made me pretty happy.

I don’t know if I watch more movies than everyone else, but I seemed to be one of the only people who knew who Minka Kelly was.

I talked to multiple people who said they simply didn’t

know who she was or only knew her as the girl dating Derek Jeter.

That’s too bad, because in addition to being beautiful, she is an immensely talented actress.

When Dyrdek went around back to get on a “raceable cooler,” which was attached

to some kind of motor and steering system, the crowd immediately swarmed him. Trying to see what was going on, I ran ahead of the crowd and got up front, hoping I might catch a glimpse or two before everyone blocked me off again.

I almost ran into someone sitting on one of those “raceable coolers.” It took me a minute to realize who it was.

There was Minka Kelly, sitting on a cooler, as the crowd pretty much ignored her. I thought, at first, that I might have mixed her up with someone else. How could I be this close to the star of “Friday Night Lights” without having to fight off a bunch of college guys?

I wasn’t mistaken. It was really her. By the time my brain processed all of this, Dyrdek was back up close enough to us that the hordes moved in and cut me off. I didn’t even get to ask for a hug — what an epic fail on my part.

Maybe it was just that everything was too crazy for anyone to process. Let me be clear here: the Really Rally Road Trip was one of the most insane things I’ve ever seen in Manhattan.

When Dyrdek and Kelly first arrived in front of Kite’s Grille and Bar, everyone was desperate to try to see over the crowd. How convenient it was, then, that someone had parked

their truck in front of Kite’s — it’s there, might as well jump on it. People sure did, standing on top of the truck, trying to do anything they could to get Dyrdek’s attention. Who can blame them? He was giving away a phone. I just felt bad for the truck’s owner.

So the kids of Manhattan probably have an excuse for not realizing how big of a deal it was that Minka Kelly came to visit us. We were all a little distracted with the craziness that was Really Rally Road Trip.

In fairness, as she was leaving, people did ask for pictures, and I saw someone carrying

around a DVD of “Friday Night Lights,” I assumed to get it autographed. Earlier in the day, after the crowd was done chanting “Rob! Rob! Rob!” someone had the guts to yell, “I love you Minka Kelly!” at the top of their lungs. Kelly flashed a smile in response.

Still, I hope the next time the sexiest woman in the world comes to town, we might get a little more excited about it, even if she is coming in alongside someone as crazy as Rob Dyrdek.

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HAITI | Prof. collecting instruments

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"I was just thinking about all the things I should bring with me, and I started trying to make reeds on my own for the students there, and then I got an idea to get my own studio involved here of K-State students," Lewis said. "And then I just started talking to other colleagues, and it turns out a lot of people want to help."

Lewis, K-State music students and faculty members from six other universities went to work fashioning reeds that Lewis could supply to Haitian students during her trip to Jacmel. Though a reed is no longer than a couple inches in length, the vibrations it creates are essential to the sound of wind instruments. Without a properly shaped reed, oboes and bassoons sound more like honking geese than finely crafted instruments.

After January's earthquake disaster, students in Haiti became desperate for any music supplies they could get their hands on, and that is where Lewis and her varied support team come into play.

"This Saturday, we are going to make a bunch of reeds, and then probably again later in the semester before I go," Lewis said. "My goal for my studio is that each of the seven students involved will be able to send one full reed case, which holds about six reeds each."

The process of crafting a reed is a complicated one. Lewis and her fellow faculty members purchase cane, a soft wood that must be carefully whittled down to the appropriate size. Next, the cane is run through a gouging machine and a shaper, which fashions the wood into a form that will create the most harmonious vibrations.

After being tied onto a staple with a fine thread, the



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Hand-made reeds are available in a store for about \$28, said **Nora Lewis**, assistant professor of music. When a student or musician can make their own, the cost reduces to about \$10.

reed must be meticulously scraped by hand until all excess bumps and bulges are replaced by glossy smoothness.

"It's very complicated. It takes a couple hours just to get it all ready to be made," said Katie Kreis, senior in music education. "There has to be a certain amount of thickness, or you sound terrible. I've been making reeds for two years now, and I'd say only two out of five reeds I make are successful."

Despite the challenges, Lewis and her students are excited about the opportunity to lend a hand to musicians in need. Besides fashioning reeds, the group is also attempting to collect second-hand and gently used instruments for the Haitian music

schools.

"Their whole music department was destroyed in that earthquake. They really have nothing now," said Kelley Tracz, sophomore in music education. "I can't imagine if you were studying to be a musician and it's your passion, and all of the sudden it was just gone in an instant."

In the grand scheme of rebuilding an entire country, donations to a music department may seem inconsequential, but to Lewis and her students, the contributions are more of a responsibility than a simple act of kindness.

"Where do you go from a disaster like that?" Tracz said. "I think it is our duty as musicians to help them out and make sure they can continue their program."

VET MED | College meets standards



Anthony Drath | Collegian

Cows graze in a field off Marlatt and Denison avenues Sunday. K-State is the only college in the state and one of 28 in the nation where people can study veterinary medicine.

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we did, we gave them three volumes of material, and we had a few notebooks, but now they want something condensed easily read, so they don't have to plow through a ton of stuff," Elmore said.

Volunteers from the veterinary association's Council on Education take a four-day visit to each school to interview faculty, staff, students and to inspect the facilities to make sure the schools are meeting the guidelines.

The U.S. Department of Education recognizes the association as the official accrediting agency for colleges of veterinary medicine in the United States, but the association also accredits five Canadian schools and several other foreign schools.

Michael San Filippo, spokesman for the Ameri-

can Veterinary Medical Association, said schools do not often lose accreditation, but that sometimes schools will go on provisional accreditation.

"Limited accreditation isn't that uncommon. All schools do a good job of staying up to date; it is rare to be more than that," San Filippo said. "I haven't come across a school doing badly. If a school is a little bit deficient in one or two areas, they could be fully accredited if it didn't affect efficiency. They would have two years to address them, and they'll be OK."

San Filippo said the only school currently on provisional accreditation was Tennessee, but most universities on provisional probation get reaccredited.

Veterinary colleges around the country have to send an update to the association to

show they are keeping up to date with the association's latest standards.

Elmore said the 50-page report is put together by a team of the staff members, with members gathering information for the areas in which they specialize.

"The whole faculty contributes to it, and the staff contributes to it, but the report is usually put together in the dean's office," Elmore said. "There are different areas, so we ask the people in the areas for the different parts of the reports. It's kind of a group effort by everybody involved."

Accreditation for the various colleges is staggered, but San Filippo said the association does not necessarily visit four schools every year because of the provisional status that some colleges have to change.

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SCHULZ | Trip marks Fort Riley partnership

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Schulz replied by explaining that there are many possibilities for working with Iraqis and that much can now be done over the Internet. He went on to say this was an example of an area where K-State could build relationships with Iraq.

K-State is one of the few schools in the country to offer a graduate degree in security studies, and the only one to offer a doctorate. When asked about the relationship between this program and his trip to Iraq, Schulz said, "We actually met one of our security studies graduates today — who is an officer stationed here in Iraq." He explained that the U.S. Army limited how many people from K-State could come to Iraq, so no faculty members from the program came on the trip.

Schulz said group members met four K-State alumni on the trip so far, all of whom were active duty military. He mentioned there was a Powercat hanging in the dining hall.

"Perhaps in the future, we could hold a regular Catbacker or alumni event in Iraq, but that will have to wait a few years," Schulz joked.

In terms of funding for the trip, Schulz said it was paid for through private gifts given to the president's office by alumni and friends of the university. While in Iraq, the Army is providing their meals, accommodations and transportation. "Thus," Schulz wrote, "we are not using state funds for any part of our trip."

Schulz said the school is looking for ways to improve the experience that veterans have at K-State, and said the school recently approved

\$9,500 to renovate space in the K-State Student Union for a veterans center and that more details will be released on that later in the semester.

He said he would like to increase the number of veteran students on campus, but that in order to do so, they would need to focus on the needs of both the veterans and their families.

"Often, we make the assumption that veterans need the same things as a 17-year-old freshman coming straight out of high school, and we need to remember that these are often mature students who come onto our campus very focused on what they want to do," he said.

Schulz wrote about how nice the people of Iraq have been to him.

"I had some wonderful Iraqi tea — served to guests — which is very sweet and is served in what looks like shot glasses," he said.

When asked about his wife Noel's feelings on the trip, Schulz replied, "I think that whenever anyone is traveling into a war zone, family members are going to be worried and concerned. As always, Noel was supportive — and is a little bit envious that she couldn't go on the trip as well. My mother-in-law was probably the most worried — and I waited until a couple of weeks before the trip before telling her I was going."

The chat concluded with Schulz writing, "Folks — thanks for joining in ... It is time for bed in Basra — so good night to the K-State family!" He encouraged everyone to log on again today with additional questions.

The official transcript for the chat can be found at k-state.edu/chats/presidents-chat-iraq.

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